GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA

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COMMITTEE ON DEMOLITIONS
Kharventhan Shri Salarapatty Kuppusamy

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has constituted any Committee on the issue of demolitions;

(b) if so, the terms of reference and the composition thereof; and

(c) the time by which its report would be submitted to the Government?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI AJAY MAKEN)

(a)to(c): Government of India has set up a Committee under the Chairmanship of Shri Tejendra Khanna, former Lt. Governor, Delhi to assess the magnitude of the problem and issues involved in the matter of unauthorized constructions and misuse of premises in various parts of Delhi and to suggest a comprehensive strategy to deal with it. The terms of reference of the Committee are as follows:-

(i) To make an assessment about the magnitude of the problem of unauthorized constructions and misuse of premises;

(ii) To assess various types of violations and put them in broad categories in terms of the nature and extent of these violations;

(iii) To identify the underlying causes leading to these violations;

(iv) In the light of the above, suggest a feasible strategy to deal with various issues involved in the matter;

(v) To recommend policy guidelines and development control norms for regulating construction activities in Lal Dora and extended Lal Dora areas of Delhi;

(vi) To recommend measures to prevent recurrence of such violations in the future, including the structure and accountability of the enforcement machinery; and

(vii) To consider any other matter incidental or related to the terms of References mentioned above.

The Committee has been requested to submit its recommendations within a period of three months.